

# Quoddy Indians Claim Murder Probe Got Brushhoff

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Staff Reporter

EASTPORT — Peter Francis, like an ever growing number of his tribesmen, had left the familiar cluster of shacks that make up the Passamaquoddy Indian Reservation on this northeast corner of the nation, and had made a life for himself elsewhere.

vater's home, and Altvater was found severely beaten. Francis died Nov. 13, the following day.

As a result of Francis' death, one of the hunters James Killingswood of Dillecote, Mass., is free in \$3,000 bail on a manslaughter charge pending action by the Grand Jury in February.

Brown sought the single manslaughter charge "on the basis of the only information we have in the case," he told the Telegram.

Pressed to summarize that information, Brown listed testimony of Indians and the story told by the hunters. He said he couldn't reveal what the hunters told him until the Grand Jury acts.

Because of Brown's decision to seek only the single manslaughter charge, Gellers and the Indians have raised the following questions:

- 1. Is the Indian testimony being considered seriously and is the law being applied fully in the case?
- 2. Are the Passamaquoddy Indians second class citizens, legally as well as socially?

If you happen to be a Passamaquoddy Indian or attorney Gellers, the answer to the first question is an emphatic "no." An equally emphatic "yes" is their answer to the second.

BROWN TAKES the opposite viewpoint on both questions.

Besides defending his seeking of the single charge, he said a murder charge wasn't warranted because he didn't feel he could prove premeditation. There seems little doubt, both the Indians and law enforcement officials agree, that Peter Francis died from blows of a three-foot length two-by-four. The bloodstained board was found near the body and, although tests are still under way, Brown said he assumed it was used on Francis.

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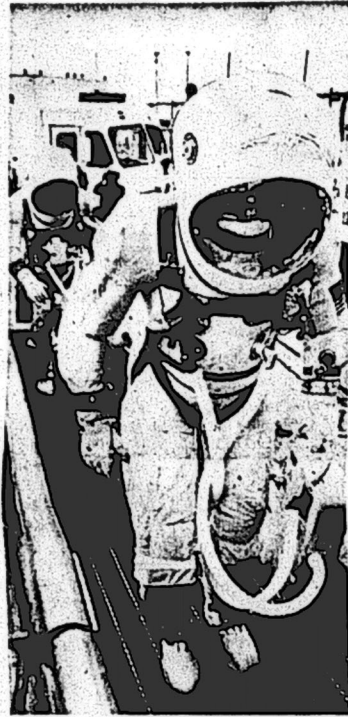
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# Around And Around They Whirl!

## Gemini 7 Duo Starts Endurance Trip



MANNED SPACE CENTER, Houston, Tex. (AP) — Their spirits high, Gemini 7 astronauts Frank Borman and James Lovell Jr. dashed into space Saturday.

difficulties in the electricity-producing system. But after some tests, engineers in mission control reported they were convinced that the trouble was not in the fuel cell, only in the light.

The countdown and the blast off of Gemini 7 were perfect — right on schedule. The Titan booster rose from the pad at 2:30 p.m. and cut through the murky Florida sky over Cape Kennedy.

ing unused nitrogen propellant, and said "it looked good." The power problem came up just after the Gemini 7 entered orbit. Pressure from one of the oxygen tanks feeding the fuel cell power supply system was falling. After trying to heat the tank to build up pressure, the pilots were told to splice in the tank which provides them with oxygen to breathe.

present flight to counteract such a possibility. At Cape Kennedy, Fla., inspectors went out immediately to survey the damage to Launch Pad 19 — and found it minimal. That means there will be little trouble in erecting another Titan 2 rocket and the Gemini 8 hunter spacecraft in time for the scheduled Gemini 8 blastoff Dec. 13 — also days from now.

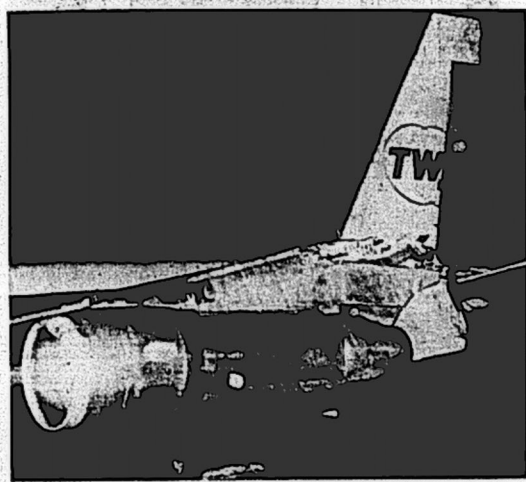
## LBJ Leads In Honoring May Craig

Tributes from some of the nation's leading citizens were pouring in Saturday for May Craig, Washington correspondent for the Guy Gannett Publishing Company for more than 30 years.

## Death Toll May Reach 10

# Eastern Airliner Crashes Following Midair Collision

NORTH SALEM, N.Y. (UPI) — Two giant commercial airliners collided in the air over a suburb of New York City Saturday night, sending one of them plunging to a fiery crash on a mountain.



World Airlines Boeing 707 was a nosebleed suffered by a jetliner, proceeded to Kennedy Airport in New York City. The constellation, a four-engine, propeller-driven shuttle plane en route from Boston to Newark, N.J. broke in two and

## Four Killed On Maine Highways

Four persons died Saturday in two separate head-on collisions in the Penobscot County towns of Arroy and Orrington.

Highway Fatalities	
1965	1964
211	186

Two youths were also injured. The deaths boosted the state's highway fatality toll to 211, precariously close to breaking the all-time record of 217, set in 1935. The figure was also 25 more than the toll at this time last year.

IN A THIRD ACCIDENT at Portland, James W. Elliott, 32, of 439 Congress St., was seriously injured in a three-car mishap.

ARROY — Three persons died Saturday in a smashup here that strewn wreckage and Christmas presents over a new stretch of Interstate 95.

Two Howland women, Mrs. Sally Strout, 19, and 22-year-old Carol Smart — and Lucian Arthur Jr., 38, of Lincoln, all perished in a crash on a newly-completed stretch of Interstate 95 at Arroy.

Lewis F. Foster, 64, died in another collision at Orrington.

Miss Barbara L. Kelley, 14, sister of Mrs. Strout, was reported in fair condition.

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Our Men In Space  
Gemini 7 command pilot Frank Borman and copilot James Lovell head for their spacecraft at Cape Kennedy Saturday dressed in new lightweight space suits with huge helmets. The men will doff these suits during flight and ride in their long underwear. They'll put the suits back on prior to reentry — in 13 days if all goes according to schedule.

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## Mid-January Call Expected

By DONALD C. HANSEN  
State House Reporter

AUGUSTA — A batch of proposals — ranging from reapportionment of the state Senate to additional funds for forest fire fighting — will be presented to a January special session of the Maine Legislature.

● An appropriation of about \$200,000 to the Forestry Department stemming from the high cost of battling last summer's fires, including the major 12,000-acre blaze at Centerville in Washington County.

REED SAID last week that he's received about 25 requests for legislative proposals to be included for consideration at the special session and has not yet decided what measures he feels constitute a legitimate "emergency."

## Veep Amendment To Be Considered

AUGUSTA — The special session of the Maine Legislature in January will be asked to ratify a proposed United States constitutional amendment spelling out the duties of the vice president in the event of a presidential disability.

considered reapportionment of the Senate a fit matter for consideration by the special session, but it's not known if he will include it in his call. Senate reapportionment may be one of the touchiest matters to be considered at the special session. An interim committee is expected to recommend a constitutional amendment that would increase the size of the Senate from 34 to 38 members.

## gross inaccuracies" in summaries of the plan that have been leaked to the press.

Harding said that the plan has never been formally released and that there is still the possibility of further changes before it is adopted. Harding would not detail where the inaccuracies exist and said the plan would not be

UNDEER THE proposal, Cumberland County would be granted three additional Senate seats while York, Penobscot and Aroostook would each gain one seat. Washington and Hancock Counties would lose one seat apiece.

Senate Majority Leader Floyd L. Harding, D-Fresno Isle, a member of the interim committee studying reapportionment, said last week that there are

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